

Election in Response to Restriction Requirement

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated September 13, 2002, the claims of Group I, drawn to anti-CCR5 antibody, kits comprising and hybridomas producing, are elected for prosecution. Applicants note that Claims 1-73 have been cancelled and new claims 75-110 have been added. New Claims 75-110 are drawn to the elected invention.

Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions. Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

Formal drawings are also being filed concurrently.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (978) 341-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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